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LIGHT DAY AT THE BIG DOCK

It was another light morning at the Boston fish pier, six fares putting in an appearance since yesterday's report. Of these two were of the steam trawling fleet.

The largest fares were the beam trawler Long Island, with 61,000 pounds, and sch. Manhasset, 54,000 pounds.

Wholesalers quoted \$4.50 to \$6 a hundred pounds for haddock, \$6 to \$6.50 for large cod, \$3.50 to \$4 for market cod, \$3 to \$4.50 for hake, \$2 for pollock and \$2.50 for cusk. A small lot of halibut brought 22 cents a pound.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Crest, 21,000 haddock, 600 cod.
Str. Long Island, 55,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake, 2000 pollock.
Sch. Manhasset, 25,000 haddock, 18,000 cod, 6000 hake, 5000 cusk.
Sch. Angeline C. Nunan, 7000 haddock, 6000 cod, 4500 hake, 3500 cusk, 1000 pollock.
Sch. Hattie A. Heckman, 2800 haddock.
Str. Joanna, 4500 cod.
Haddock, \$4.50 to \$6 per cwt.; large cod, \$6 to \$6.50; market cod, \$3.50 to \$4; hake, \$3 to \$4.50; pollock, \$2; cusk, \$2.50; halibut \$22 cents for white and gray.

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Putting Up Herring.

The factory of J. W. Beardsley's Sons will open its boneless herring season tomorrow with work for approximately 120 employees, ten of whom have been busy for some days cutting enough herring to give the main crew a sufficient start. There are few herring suitable for boning in sight at the present time, and curers are asking high prices for what they have, the current quotation on Grand Manan being five cents per pound or one hundred dollars per ton. There is a chance that the situation may improve before the end of the season, but the very largest herring precludes the possibility of a large stock of smoked fish. The Beardsley plant will run as long as the supply holds out. It has been busy during the past month in skinning cusk from Nova Scotia and in handling salt, fresh and cured fish.—Eastport Sentinel, November 11.

Big Firm Branching Out.

The Eastport, Me., Sentinel says that it is reported that the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company of this city will lease the E. A. Holmes Packing Co. plant in that city for the winter and use the same in canning clams, and says Eastport will then have as a part of its winter industries branches of three of the largest fish concerns of Boston, Gloucester and New York.

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ONE DRAGGER AT THE FORT

Only one arrival was reported here this forenoon. The only fresh fish receipts in here are those landed by the gill netters yesterday afternoon, amounting to about 75,000 pounds. Many of the crafts did not lift at all, while others hauled only part of their nets. Sch. Mabel E. Leavitt landed 400 fresh mackerel at the Fort this forenoon.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Nashawena, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Bethulia, gill netting, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Ethel, gill netting, 6500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Sawyer, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Quartette, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Hugo, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Water Witch, gill netting, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Mary F. Ruth, gill netting, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Orion, gill netting, 12,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Robert and Edwin, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Quoddy, gill netting 6000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Anna T., gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Lorena, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Mabel E. Leavitt, netting, 400 fresh mackerel.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4.25; snappers, \$3.
Georges halibut codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.25.
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4; snappers, \$3.
Dory handline codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4; snappers, \$3.
Salt trawl bank codfish, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$2.75.
Salt grift codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.
Cusk, large, \$3; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.
Flitchd halibut, 10c per lb.
Hake, \$1.80.
Haddock, \$1.75.
Pollock, \$1.75.
North Bay mackerel, \$12 per bbl. for large and medium rimmed; \$11 per bbl. for large and medium unrimmed; \$8 per bbl. for tinkers.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:
Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.
Western cod, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2.10; snappers, 75c.
Eastern cod, large, \$2.25; medium, \$1.95; snappers, 75c.
Drift cod, large, \$2.40; medium, \$2.
All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than above.
Hake, \$1.40.
Cusk, large, \$1.80; medium, \$1.25; snappers, 50c.
Pollock, round 90c; dressed \$1.
Fresh halibut, 14 1-2c for white, 7c for gray.

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Large shore herring, \$3 per bbl. for bait; \$2 to freezer; \$1.75 to salt.
Fresh bluebacks, \$3 per bbl. for bait; \$1.75 to freezer; \$1 to salt.
Fresh mackerel, 21c each for large, 10c for medium.
Fresh shad, 15 cents each.

PRICES HOLD UP WELL AT BOSTON

Arrivals Continue Few and Catches For Most Part Are Light.

Considering it was Friday, prices stood up remarkably well at Boston fish pier this morning. Arrivals during the past few weeks have been slow, and consequently there has been no overstocking. This morning's fleet and shipments from the Gloucester gill netters furnished the day's supply.

No large fares were reported, small trips being the rule. Wholesalers quoted \$4.50 to \$5.50 a hundred for haddock, \$6 to \$7 for large cod, \$3 to \$4 for market cod, \$2.50 to \$4.50 for hake, \$2 for pollock. Two mackerel netting fares sold at 25 cents each for large and 16 cents for medium.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Morning Star, 23,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 12,000 cusk.
Str. Surf, 15,000 haddock, 600 cod, 1200 hake.
Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, 8000 haddock, 1000 cod, 6000 hake.
Sch. W. M. Goodspeed, 5000 haddock, 9000 cod, 2000 hake.
Sch. Reading, 10,000 haddock, 6000 cod.
Sch. Mildred Robinson, 10,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Frances S. Grueby, 12,000 haddock, 2000 cod.
Sch. Pontiac, 10,000 haddock, 2100 cod.
Sch. Thomas Brundage, 6000 cod.
Sch. Tecumseh, 1900 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Julietta, 1100 fresh haddock.
Haddock, \$4.50 to \$5.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$6 to \$7; market cod, \$3 to \$4; hake, \$2.50 to \$4.50; pollock, \$2; fresh mackerel, 25 cents and 16 cents each.

DRAGGERS HAD LIGHT CATCHES

The dories at Pigeon Cove and Rockport had only small catches yesterday, the total being 29 barrels. Steamer Thelma had 800 fish at Rockport, but did not land them.

Boat arrivals yesterday were:

Pigeon Cove.

Sloop W. H. Clement, 400 fresh mackerel.

Sloop Crusader, 300 fresh mackerel.

Rockport.

Sloop Melissa Enos, 500 fresh mackerel.

Sloop On Time, 200 fresh mackerel.
Sloop Marguerite McKenzie, 150 fresh mackerel.

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As Others See Us.

Gloucester fishermen are meeting success in a novel form of fishing. Flounders at this time of year are in great demand. The water is cold and the flesh of the fish is firm and sweet. A colony of Italian fishermen discovered that the fish were very thick around Five Pound Island so they tried the experiment of setting trawls for them. After a short set they hauled and to their great satisfaction found a flounder on every hook. Two or three barrels were filled in a very short time which were sold at a good figure.—Portland Press & Advertiser.

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N. F. Fish Prices Up.

Says the St. John's N. F., Trade Review:

Fish prices have advanced since last issue, and the local demand is healthy. The situation looks better in Southern European markets, and the fact that the voyage is short, and that we have sold considerable salt bulk fish, tends to put a keener edge on the demand in the European Markets. Good dry tal qual, including large and small merchantable and large and small Maderia, is worth \$6.30 to \$6.40; but West India remains the same. Labrador Shore Cured is going at, from \$4.50 to \$5.60 according to quality of drying, and for an extra good article we have heard of even a little better price for extra dry good. Slop Labrador has moved up \$4.20 to \$4.25, from \$3.80 to \$4.00, the price of last week. Cod Oil is worth \$75.00 per ton iron bound packages. Lobsters are still quoted at \$12.00 a case.

Portland Fishing News.

Fish arrivals Thursday were very light and limited to one or two hardy boatmen, who fished regardless of the weather. Capt. Frank Wallace of Cundy harbor, having the banner catch, he bringing in a boat load of smelts, which netted him \$57, he having seined them the night before off Diamond Island in very rough weather.

Two salt laden vessels are now on the way here from Turks Island, one of them, the three-masted schooner Augusta W. Snow, having sailed on Nov. 10, and is due to arrive here the latter part of the month. Her cargo is for the W. H. Shurtleff Co., and will be discharged at the company's sheds on Union wharf. The other schooner, the four-master Alice May Davenport, was at San Juan, Porto Rico, the last of October, discharging coal, and was to leave in a few days for Turks Island to take on cargo and has doubtless loaded and got away before this, the two vessels being likely to reach here about the same time. The Davenport's cargo is for the Lord Brothers.

The Portland firm of S. A. Skillings & Son have recently sold to a government agent a large consignment of live lobsters which are to be sent across the continent and dropped on the Pacific coast with a view to propagation. This is the third shipment that has been made this fall in the same direction, and more are expected to follow. Maine lobsters are in demand everywhere, and rumor has it that the London fish dealers are planning on importations from this country, the war operations having greatly curtailed the supply in the foreign waters.